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MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 61st LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE

Call to Order: Chairman Mike Jopek, on March 12, 2009 at 3:11 P.M., in Room 455 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Mike Jopek, Chairman (D)

Rep. Julie French, Vice Chairman (D)

Rep. Russell Bean (R)

Rep. Mary Caferro (D)

Rep. Sue Dickenson (D)

Rep. John Fleming (D)

Rep. Brian Hoven (R)

Rep. David Howard (R)

Rep. Krayton Kerns (R)

Rep. Margaret MacDonald (D)

Rep. Edith (Edie) McClafferty (D)

Rep. Lee Randall (R)

Rep. Keith Regier (R)

Rep. J. David Roundstone (D)

Rep. Janna Taylor (R)

Rep. Bob Wagner (R)

Rep. Wendy Warburton (R)

Members Excused: None

Members Absent: Rep. Edward B. Butcher, Vice Chairman (R)

Rep. Tony Belcourt (D) Rep. Timothy Furey (D)

Staff Present: Todd Everts, Legislative Branch

Marshall McEwen, Committee Secretary

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: SB 167, 3/6/2009

Executive Action: None

HEARING ON SB 167

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:02:23 Sen. Ryan Zinke (R), SD 2, opened the hearing on SB 167, Increase penalties for equine abandonment.

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:09:06 Rep. Bean 00:09:35 Sen. Zinke 00:10:28 Rep. Wagner 00:10:36 Sen. Zinke 00:10:43 Rep. Wagner 00:10:46 Sen. Zinke 00:11:06 Rep. Warburton 00:11:23 Sen. Zinke 00:12:44 Rep. Hoven 00:13:06 Sen. Zinke 00:14:10 Rep. Dickenson 00:14:29 Sen. Zinke 00:15:59 Rep. Regier 00:16:07 Sen. Zinke 00:16:44 Rep. Regier 00:16:50 Sen. Zinke 00:17:41 Rep. Warburton 00:18:20 Sen. Zinke 00:19:09 Rep. Warburton 00:19:32 Mr. Everts, Legislative Services Division 00:20:00 Rep. Warburton 00:20:18 Mr. Everts 00:20:31 Chairman Jopek

Closing by Sponsor:

00:20:40 Sen. Zinke 00:24:38 Chairman Jopek

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00:25:39 Rep. Dickenson 00:25:53 Chairman Jopek

ADJOURNMENT

00:26:18 Adjournment: 3:37 p.m.

Marshall McEwen, Secretary

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<u>Additional Exhibits</u>:

EXHIBIT (agh55a01) Testimony pertaining to SB 407

Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT (agh55aad.pdf)